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FROM : J. Kenneth McDonald  
Chief, DCI History Staff [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT : Request for information on OSS and Italian  
Resistance

1. Attached is a copy of a memorandum from the Defense Attaché, U.S. Embassy, Rome, to the U.S. Army's Center of Military History, requesting information about certain OSS activities in Italy in World War II.

2. The Chief of the Historical Services Division of the Army Center of Military History has forwarded this memorandum to us, with the request that this Agency look into the OSS files in its custody, and provide the Army with any information on which they can base a reply.

3. I would therefore be grateful if you could see whether the OSS Archives in CIA's custody have any information relevant to this inquiry, and let me know as soon as conveniently possible.

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J. Kenneth McDonald

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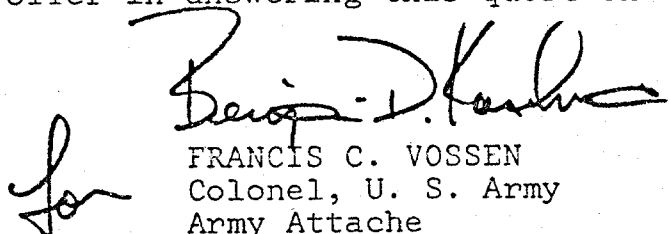
DATE: 21 April 1982

TO: Center of Military History, U.S. Army, Wash., D.C.

SUBJECT: Request for Information

1. We have been asked by the director of "Storia Illustrata" (a historical magazine) to ascertain if the first flag of the Italian resistance was in fact taken from Italy by an O.S.S. agent named Angelo Pitoni and is now located in the historical archives of the O.S.S. He further requests that we return the flag to Italy for placement in a museum if, in fact, it is in the United States.

2. Any assistance you can offer in answering this question is appreciated.

  
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